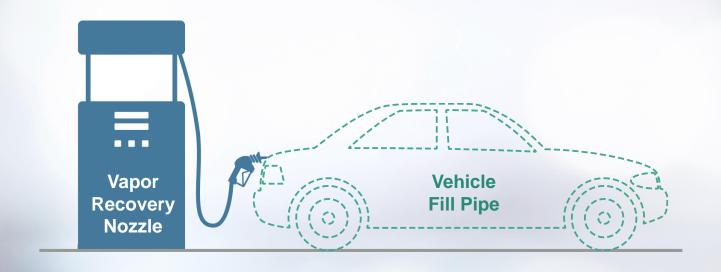


Proposed Amendments to Enhanced Vapor Recovery Regulations to Standardize Gas Station Nozzle Spout Dimensions to Help Address Storage Tank Overpressure

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Ongoing Need for Vapor Recovery

Reduce ozone & benzene



California Today:
15 billion gallons gasoline/year





California's Vapor Recovery Program

Bulk Plants / Terminals



Cargo Tanks



Gas Stations

Phase I Vapor Recovery



Dispensing to Vehicles

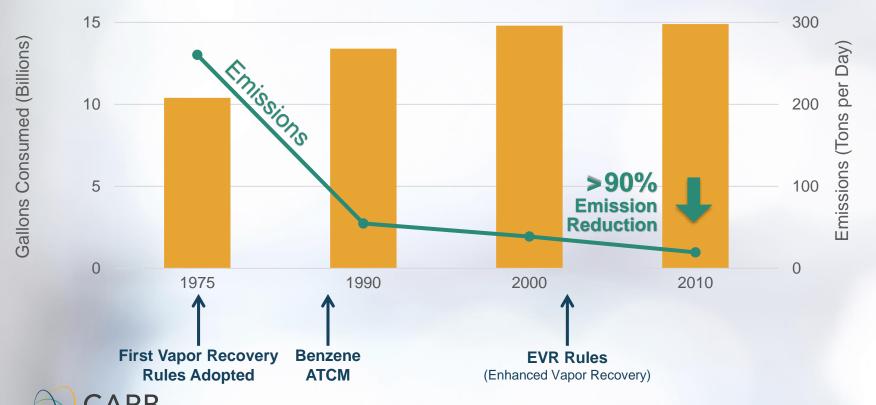
Phase II Vapor Recovery





Reducing Gasoline Emissions

Gasoline Consumption Increase of ~50%



Success Through Collaboration

CARB

- Establish performance standards
- Develop test procedures
- Certify new equipment and control technologies
- Quantify emissions and reductions

Air Districts

- Implement and enforce rules
- Permit and inspect gas stations
- Provide data to CARB

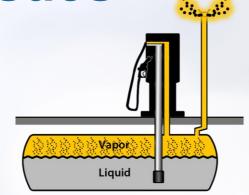
Industry

- Develop innovative control technologies
- Install, operate, and maintain control systems



Overpressure Issues

- 1. Emission increases in winter
 - Benzene emissions:
 Potential near source health risk concerns at some sites





2. In Station Diagnostic System alarm response costs when no equipment malfunctions





What Causes Overpressure?

- Primary Causes:
 - High Reid Vapor Pressure (RVP) of winter blend gasoline
 - Excess air ingested due to poor seal at interface between vapor recovery nozzles and newer vehicle fill pipes

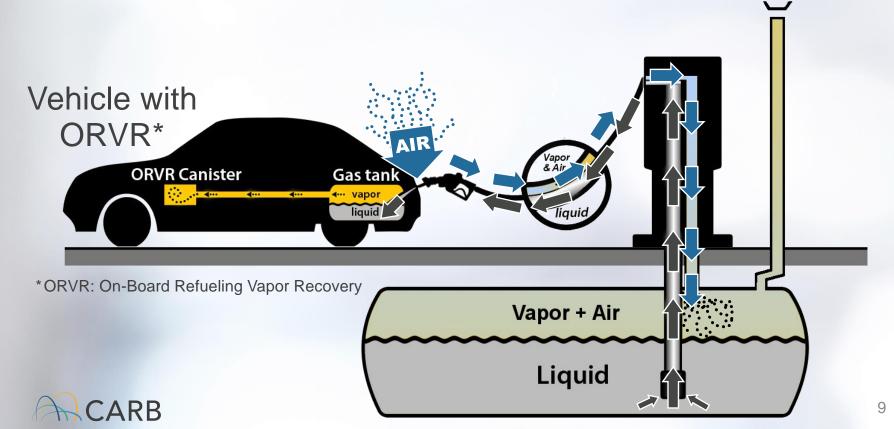
Today's
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Proposals

Site-Specific Factors

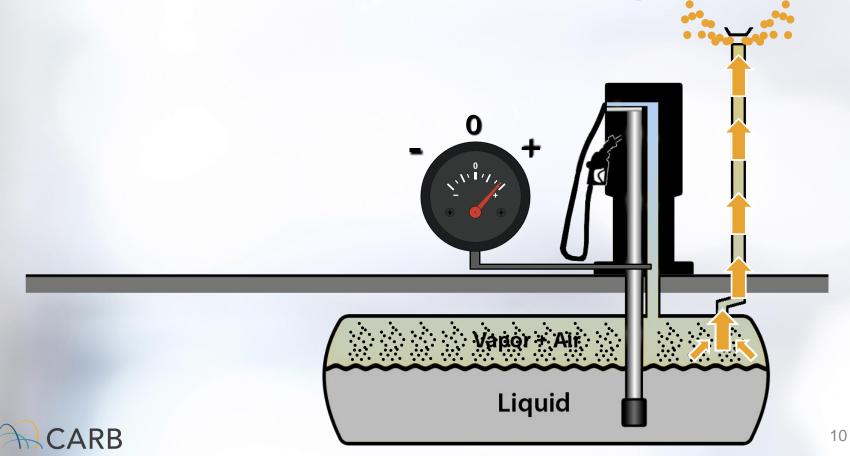


Air Ingestion While Fueling

System Dynamics While Fueling with Poor Nozzle/Fill Pipe Seal

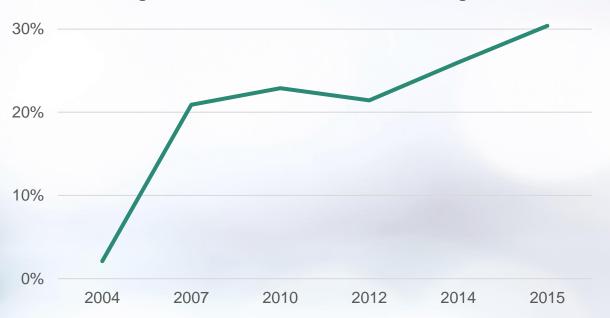


Overpressure After Air Ingestion



Increasing Trend in Excess Air Ingestion

Fueling Events with Excess Air Ingestion





Causes of Excess Air Ingestion



1. Capless fill pipes with open drain path







- 2. Loose Latch
 - a. Depth of fill pipe locking lip
 - b. Vapor recovery nozzle design





3. Secondary outer ring (obstructed face seal)





Proposed Dimensions: Key Terms

Nozzle Bellows

(aka boot or interlock device)

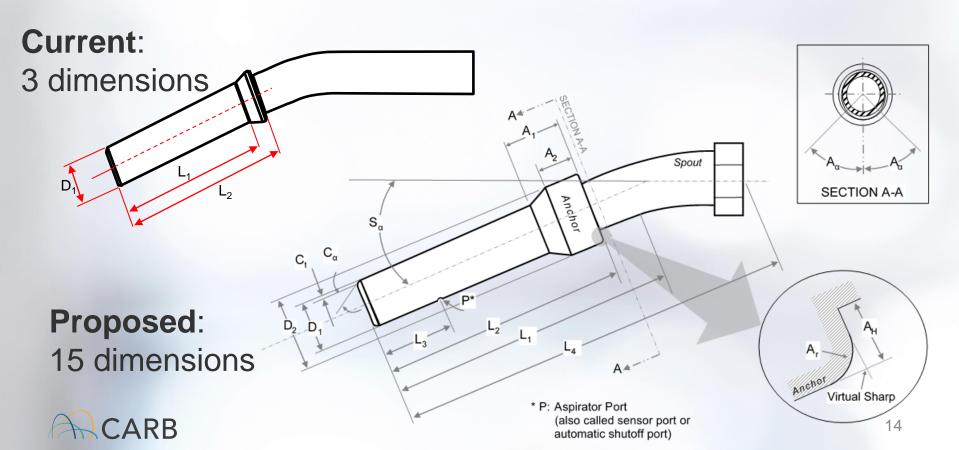
Nozzle Spout

Anchor (latch ring)





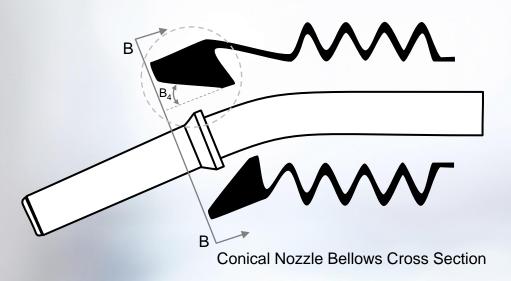
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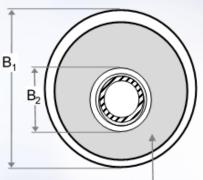
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Proposed:

4 dimensions

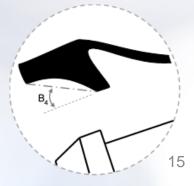






B₃: 2.5 TIR along contact surfaces (zones shaded to gray)

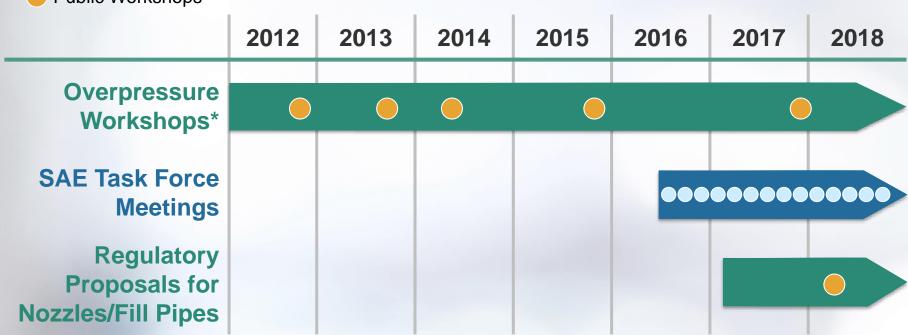
B₄ measurement if bellows is conical/ spherical in shape:





Public Process

Public Workshops



^{*} Workshops for design and planning for field studies, study results, early regulatory proposals

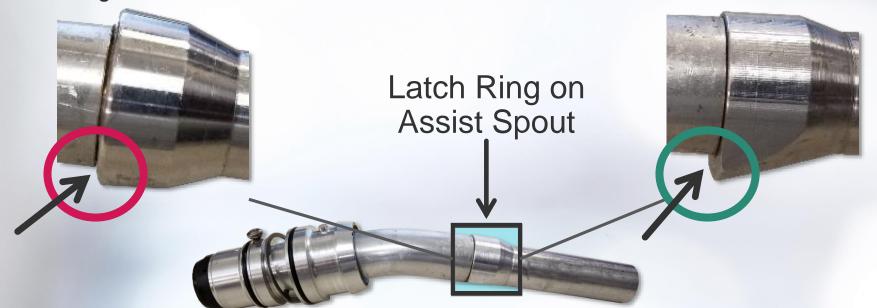


Voluntary Improvements to Vacuum-Assist Nozzle



No Longer Manufactured

Improved Latch Ring





Benefits of Improved Assist Nozzle

Emission Reductions* Reactive Organic Gas (ROG) and Benzene

~0.94 tons per day (annualized) ~2.85 tons per day (winter)

Cost Savings

for Gas Station Operators with Reduced Frequency of ISD Alarms

~\$3.47 million through 2030

* Improved assist nozzle reduces overpressure (OP) alarm frequency and associated emissions, but does not resolve all overpressure concerns. Staff's fill pipe proposal (next Board item) also will help reduce OP alarm frequency and emissions. Future regulatory proposal will address remaining OP factors.



Cost of Proposed Amendments

Include 16 new dimensions in CARB certification process

Increased CARB Certification Costs for Nozzle Manufacturers

~\$20,520 through 2030

If cost passed to gas stations, ~\$2.41 per station*

* Assumes 20% mark-up = (\$20,520 * 1.2) ÷ 10,202 gas stations in California



Staff Recommendations

- Staff recommends that the Board approve today's proposal to standardize gas station nozzle spout dimensions
- Staff will continue working to identify opportunities to address overpressure and reduce ISD alarm frequency



